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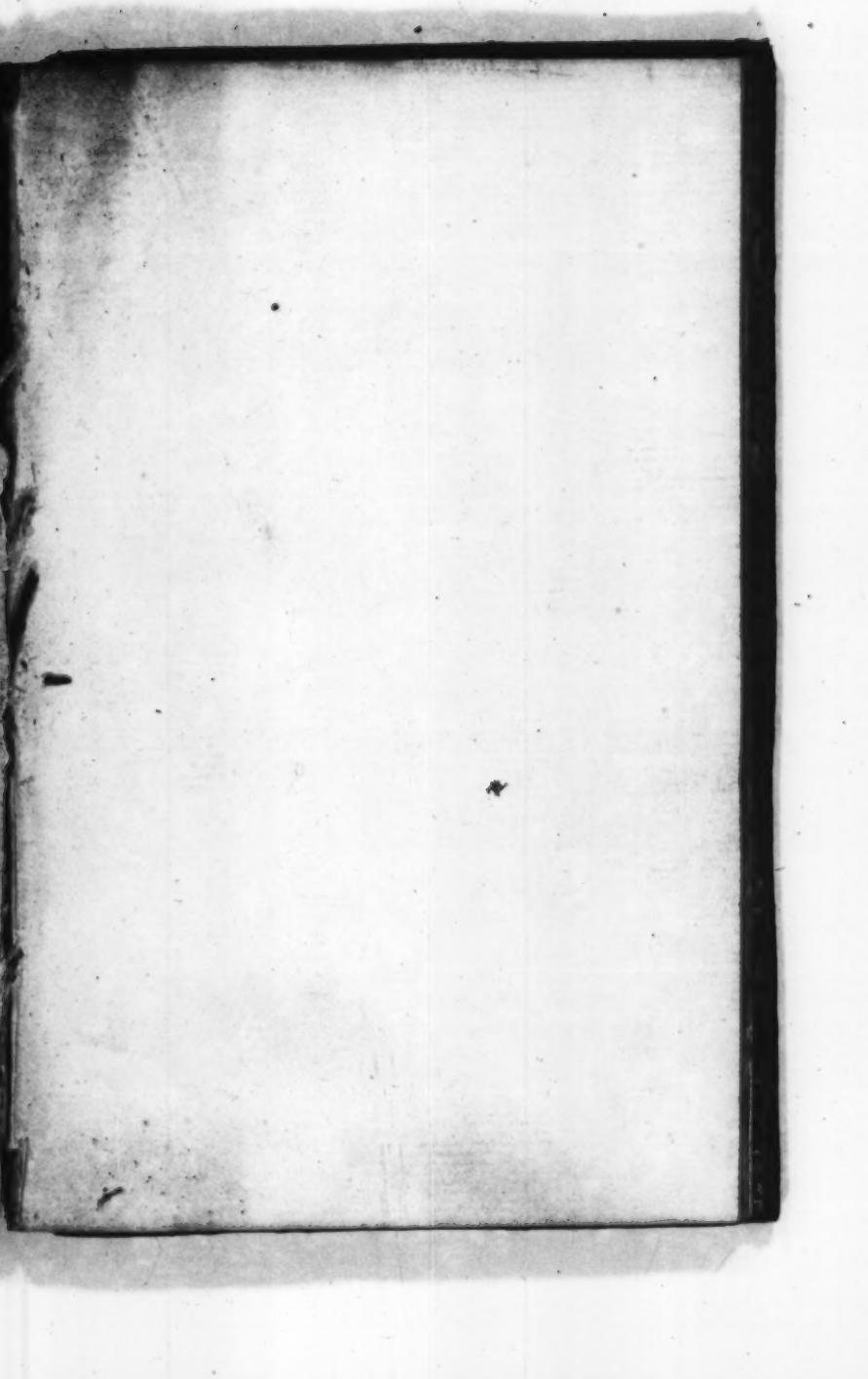
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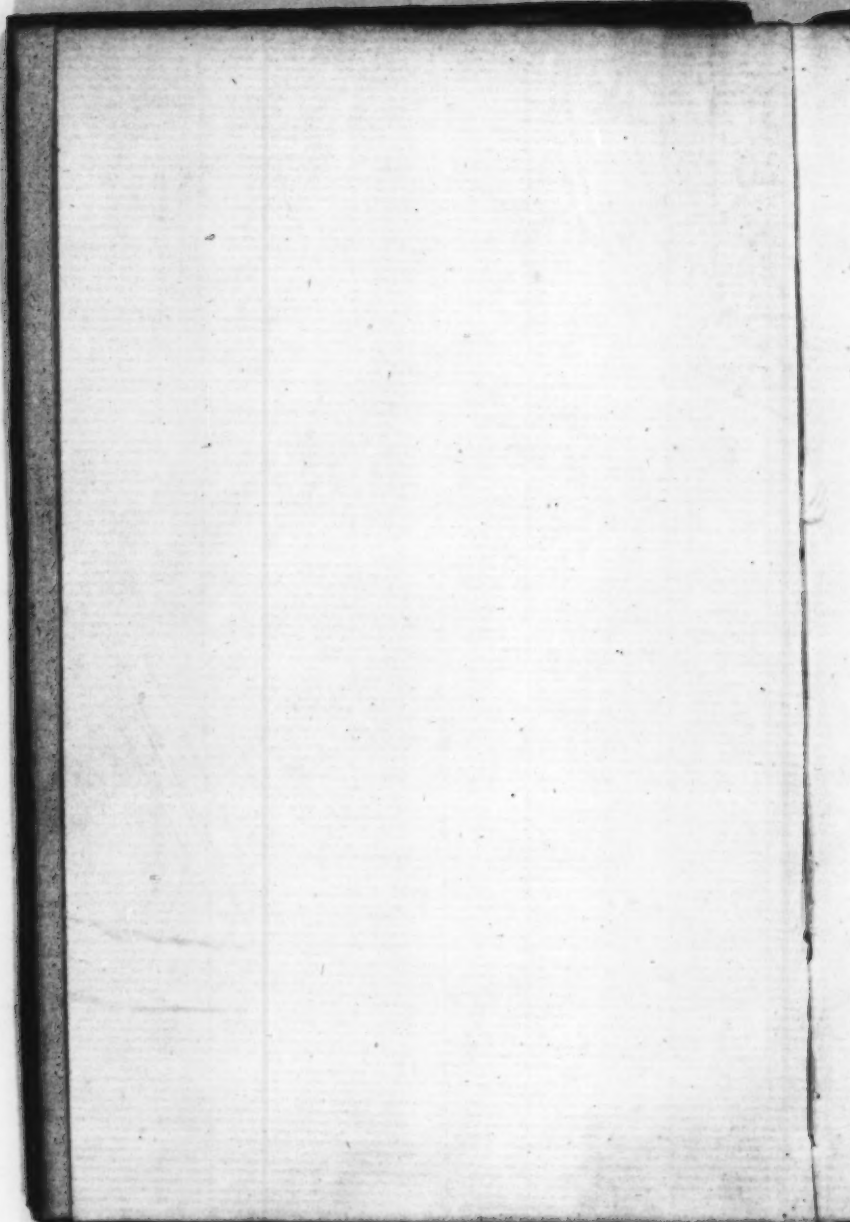
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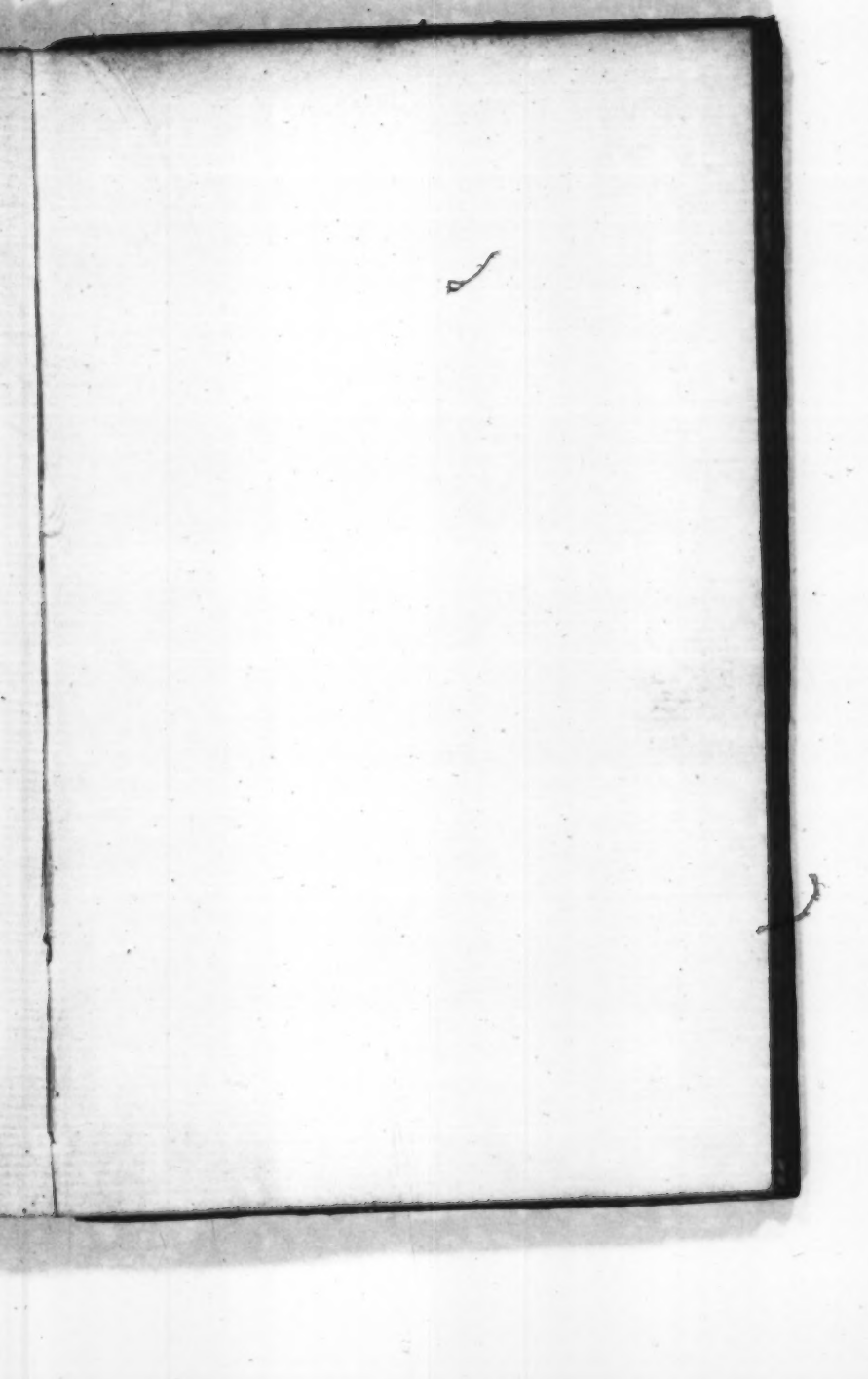
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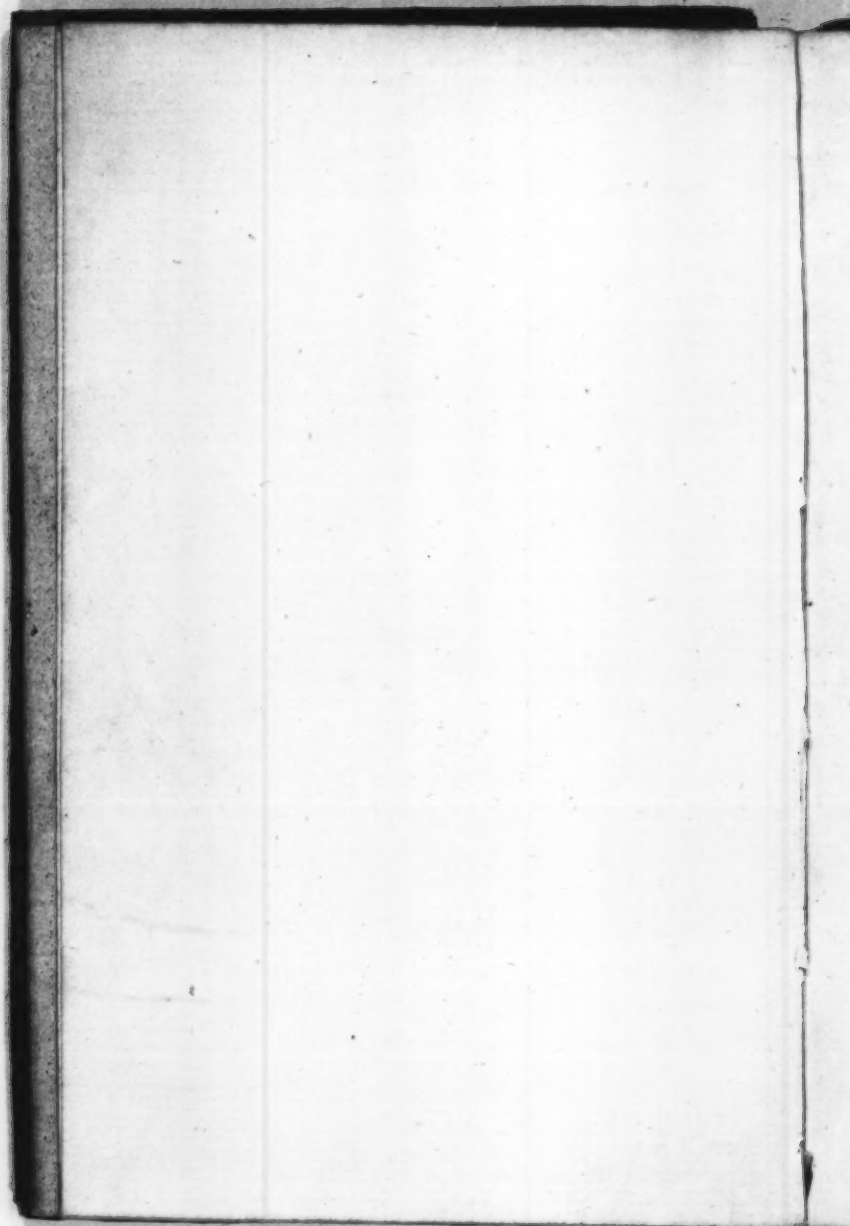




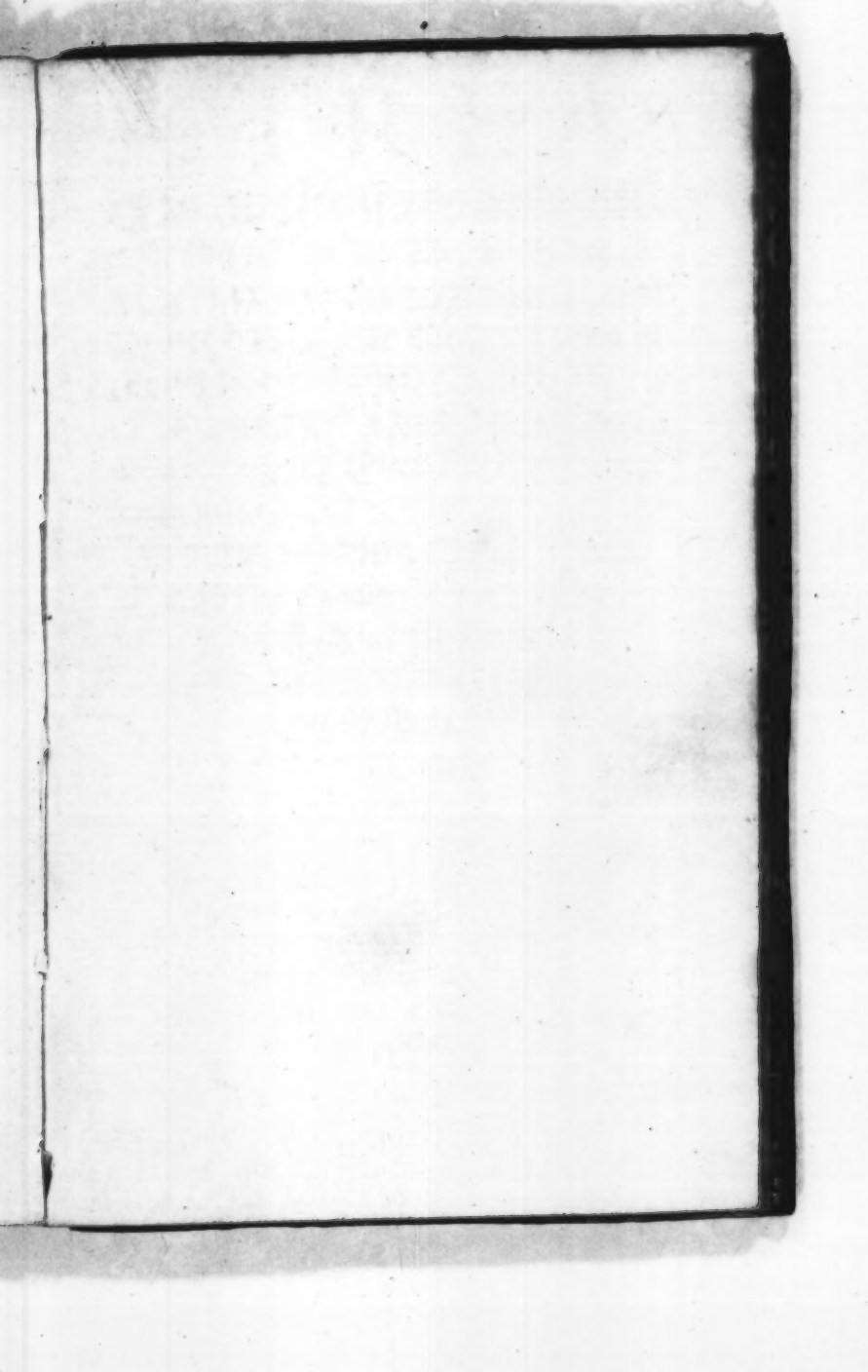












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tyse of the state and dis-  
position of the worlde, with the al-  
teracions and chaunginges therof  
thzough the great coniunctions of  
the.iii.hvest planetes, called Maxi-  
ma, Maior, Media, and Minor, Decla-  
ringe the very tyme, the day, houre  
and minute, that God created the  
Sonne, Moone, and Sterres,  
and the places where they  
were fyrst set in the hea-  
uens, and the begin-  
ning of their mo-  
uynges, and  
so conty=

inued to this day wherby the world hath  
recepued influẽce as shalbe declared  
by erample from the creation vn-  
to this present yere, and also  
to the yere of our lord.

M. D. LVIII,  
to come.

*By Anthony Ascham*



**THE GREAT CON-  
IUNCTIONS OF THE  
thre hpest Planettes, Saturne,  
Iupiter, and Mars, that  
are called, Maior, Me-  
dia, and Minor.**



**S P T H O L O M E**

sayth in centiloqui. verbo. so,  
all the mutations, chaunges,  
and alteracions, that happen  
in this worlde, amonges the  
Creatures, are knowen by  
the hundreth and twentye coniunctions, a-  
monges the seuen planettes, of the which, vi,  
are most pyncypall.

**T**he fyrst is betworte Saturne and Ju-  
piter in the begynnyng of Aries, the  
whiche is but ones in. ii. hundreth. lxi.  
yeres, and. lxxxi. dayes, so that in eyghte of  
these coniunctions remaine seuen other yerres  
from theyr begynnynge, the influence of this  
coniunctyon causeth greate and meruelous  
chaunges, and notable alteracions, throughe  
all the clymattes of the worlde, and sygny-  
fyeth newe seetes, and chaungynge of ci-  
ties.

A. ii.

Romes

domes, lawes, and disposicions amonges the  
people, and mutacyons of greate Empires,  
kingedomes, and Lordeshyppes, and also  
great plagues, pestylence, and mortalyte, and  
of all other vniuersall thynges that is nota-  
ble throughe the worlde, because of the slowe  
mouynge of them, theyr orbes and cyrcles  
ar so hye and great, for the spere of Saturne  
is from the earthe, fyre hundreth thousande,  
thousand, fyue hundreth thousande, the hun-  
dred thousande, fifty thousande, seven thou-  
sande, and fyue hundreth myles, and the thick-  
nes of his orbe is within fyue hundreth thou-  
sande thousande myles, of as muche, and his  
compasse is nereby the folde as muche as his  
height, and the very sterre of Saturne is,  
in tymes greater then all the earth.

**T**he seconde coniunction is also betwixt  
Saturne, and Jupiter, in the begynnynge of  
euery triplicite, the whiche is but ons in two  
hundreth, xxxviii. yeres, and two hundreth  
and. xij. dayes. Whose influence byngeth in  
mutacions, and alteracyons of these sectes,  
disposicions, and notable thinges aboue said,  
acordynge to the nature of the triplicites.  
Also Saturne and Jupiter is ioyned. xii. tyme  
together in euery triplicite, that is to saye, in  
euery twenty yeres, they are onsiorned in e-  
uery signe of one triplicite, whose influence  
makethe alteracyon of these thynges afore-  
sayde,

sayd, accordynge to the nature of the sygnes,  
in whome this coniunction fallethe, for the  
tyme of .xx. peres, and then at the entrance in  
to an other triplicite, the influence altereth  
accordynge to the nature of the triplicite.

And this coniunction of .xx. peres is the  
thynde of the .vi. pryncypall. Also Saturne  
hath in every triplicite tenne reuolutions by  
whose influence is knowen the remapynge  
and chaungynge of these lectes, and dyspo-  
sitions afore sayd, accordynge to the entrance  
of Saturne into the mouable or fyrr sygnes,  
& also according to his nature. Furthermore  
according to the coniunction of Jupiter to the  
other .vii. planettes, so altereth and changeth  
the lectes, customes, and lawes, that are fyrst  
brought in by the great coniunctions, as when  
he is ioynd with Saturne, he bringeth in the  
Jewyshe lawe, and cause the mankynde to be  
lyfe, and slabbourne, agaynst the true lawe,  
of Christ: with Mars the Caldes lawe,  
that worshypped the fyre, and other false y-  
mages, with the Sonne, the Egyptians law  
that worshypped the Sonne, Moone, and  
Sterres, even as all thynges hadde bene de-  
stined to come by them of necessitye, with  
Venus, the Saracens lawe, the whiche was  
al together lecherie, regarding neither order,  
nor lawe, but all in common, and oftymes,  
agaynst kinde, with Mercury, the Christians  
lawe,



lawe. and al other lerning. pertyning to the  
knowledge of God. and his workes. with the  
Moone. the inconstancy of al lawes. and con-  
trary disputaciōs of these aforesaid. according  
to other planetes that the Moone hath aspecte  
vnto: and thus as Jupiter betokeneth lawes.  
Mars doth signifye batels. the Sonne peace  
and concord. Mercury lerning and knowe-  
ledge. & after theyr cōiunctions. thus consider  
their influences as saith Albumasar. li. de ma-  
gis coniunctionibus. tract. ii. differetur octa.

**T**he. iiii. coniunction is betwix Saturne  
and Mars in the beginninge of Cancer. the  
which is but ons in. xxx. yeres. whose influēce  
bryngeth in warres. debates. and battels. and  
much contrariounes. for these thinges afore-  
said. Also a coniunction betwixte Jupiter and  
Mars signifieth tempestes of weather. with  
rayne. and snowe. and corruption of the ayre.  
and also stryfe. debate. and battell.

**T**he fyfth coniunction is betwixte the  
Sonne and Moone at the entraunce of the  
Sonne into Aries of whose influence com-  
meth yerely dispoſitions.

**T**he. vi. is of the Sonne and Moone in  
every moneth. of whose influence commeth  
monethly and wekely dispoſitions. Also the  
Moone is ioyned withal the planetes ons in a  
moneth. wherof cometh dayly inclinaciōs. so  
that al most fro a. M. yeres to every daye. the  
alteraciōd



alteratio and disposition of al creatures may  
be knowne by these.  $\text{L.}$  and.  $\text{xx.}$  coniunctions  
aforesaide, also to haue the true computation  
and calculacion of the beginning of these co-  
iunctions ye must conside, that in their reuo-  
lutiōs they come not to the same poynt where  
they began correspōdinge the zodiake of the  
 $\text{viii.}$  spere by.  $\text{iii.}$  minutes in one yere. Whose  
hole course is.  $\text{vi.}$   $\text{M.}$  yeres. wherein is contey-  
ned nereby.  $\text{viii.}$  great coniunctions betwyrte  
Saturne & Jupiter in the beginning of Aries  
¶ Also the zodiake of the.  $\text{ix.}$  spere changeth  
and altereth the begynnynge of these grete  
coniunctions.  $\text{xxvi.}$  secōdes in one yere. whole  
hole course is.  $\text{xlii.}$  thousande yeres. wherein  
is conteyned.  $\text{lii.}$  coniunctions. betwyrte Sa-  
turne and Jupiter in the beginninge of Aries.  
¶ Also ye must consider the space of the daye  
that the Sonne dyd stande still, and not re-  
mone in the tyme of Josue, & also the.  $\text{x.}$  houres  
in the tyme of Ezechie, the which dothe alter  
the beginnynges of these great cōiunctions. so  
that the p̄p̄t calculacion knowne. their mer-  
uelous influence shal surely be prognosticated  
¶ Furthermore knowe ye that the.  $\text{x.}$  spere  
goeth round about in.  $\text{xxiii.}$  houres & draweth  
al the other speres & planetes with hi. so that  
al the worlde hath therby influence & inclina-  
tion. every houre. and minute. so that frome  
enerye houre of the daye.  $\text{tvi.}$   $\text{xlii.}$   $\text{M.}$  yeres. ye  
may

may consyde the influences and inclinations  
of the sterres and planettes; after the science  
of Astronomie.

✱ Howe many great conjunctions  
hath ben betwixte Saturne and Jupiter,  
in the begynnyng of Aries, sence the  
creacyon of the worlde, vntyll  
this present yere, and of theyr  
signyfycations.



FROM the creacyon  
of the worlde to the bythe  
of Chyft is dyuerse oppo-  
nions of yeres, both of the  
Hebrewes, and Latyns,  
whose difference is within  
cxxx. or. cccc. yeres the which  
is about. v. thousand. iii. hundred. xliii. yeres:  
so that from the Creacyon of the worlde to  
this presente yere, is. vi. thousand. viii. hun-  
dred. lxxxx. yeres, in the which tyme hath ben  
vii. great conjunctions betwixte Saturne  
and Jupiter in the begynnyng of Aries. iii. be-  
fore Noyes flodde, and. iiii. after, and for to  
knowe the true tymes of these conjunctions,  
ye shal vnderstande that the Sonne, Moone,  
and Sterres, was create the. iiii. daye of the  
worlde, beinge the tyme of V E R in the mo-  
neth

neth of Marche, in the vernal point of the  
equinoctiall, the Sonne, and Moone, beyng  
vnder Aries, in the myddes of heauen, also al  
the planettes was sette in theyr owne proper  
houses, in the degrees of theyr exaltacions,  
and dygnyties, also after some opinions Sa-  
turne, Jupiter, Mars, and the Sonne was  
set in the.iii. angles, Jupiter in the ascendent  
in the. xv. degree of Cancer, the Sonne in the  
myddes of heauen in the. xix. degree of Aries,  
and also the Moone, was aboute the fyfthe  
quarter, begynnyng her course from the Bul,  
goynge by the heade of the Dragon, and so  
commyng to a coniunction with Mercurye,  
the whiche was the fyfth coniunction of the  
worlde, and thus passyng by all the planettes  
till she was ioyned with the Sonne, the. xxvii  
day after their creacion, the which by putting  
to the thre fyfthe dayes before theyr creacion,  
maketh a perfect lunacion of. xxx. dayes. Also  
the planettes keepyng theyr courses from the  
places of theyr creacion, Saturne and Jupi-  
ter was ioyned together about. xv. yerres af-  
ter, in a earthlye triplicite, in the signe of the  
Bull, at the whiche tyme Cayme was borne  
the fyfth murderer, that afterwarde slewe his  
brother Abell, with other greate alteracions,  
that befel in the world, at that tyme, by Cai-  
mes generacyon. Also at a hundred, and. xv.  
yerres, and. xli. dales, was an other coniunction

A. b.

in the

In the. xxiij. minute of Libra in an eazye tri-  
plicity, in the whiche tyme was borne Seth,  
the son of Adam and his generaciō, of whom  
was an alteracion and contrarie disposition  
to the generation of Cayme. Also at. iij. hun-  
dred. lviij. yeres, and an hundred and. lviij. daies  
was another coniunction betwixte Saturne  
and Jupiter, in a watry triplicity, in the. viij.  
degree of Scorpion; about the whiche tyme,  
the generation of Cayme, beganne to blyde  
Cyties, and Townes, for the safegarde and  
defence of theyr poyles and tyrannye.

**¶** Of the fyrst great coniunction  
betwixte Saturne and Jupiter, in the  
begynnyng of Aries, in a fy-  
re triplicity.

**T**he fyrste great coniunction was in  
the yere fyue hundred. xxiij. after  
the creacion, the whiche dyd spynnyfye  
the holynesse of Enos, of the generacion  
of Seth, and of his good luyng towarde  
GOD. Also in the fyue hundred. lxxviij.  
was an other coniunction in the fyre tripli-  
city, in the. xiiij. degree of Sagittary, the whi-  
che dyd contynewe tyll the holynesse of Seths  
generacion by Malaleell, Jareth, Enoche,  
and Mathusale, &c.

¶ Of the .ii. great coniunction.

**T**he .ii. great coniunction was in the yere of the worlde a thousand. .iiii. hundredeth. lxxxviii. the whiche did signifie the generacion of Lameth, that slewe Caym by whole children was first found al craftes, and sciēces liberal, with many other vnnatural vsages, first inuented by their generacion  
¶ Also in the yere of .ii. M. and. xxi. was a middel coniunction betwixte Saturne & Jupiter in a watry triplicite in the. xiii. degre of Cancer, the which did naturally signify some great and wonderous alteracion by water, as apared by Noyes flud, that was sent miraculoulye to punyſhe, and destruy the lecherous, and myſcheuous people for theyr synne.

¶ Of the thyrde great coniunction.

**T**he .iii. coniunction, was in the yere. ii. thousande. .iiii. hundredeth. lxxii. and. xxi. yeres after Noys flod, about this tyme reigned the generacion of Noy, Lem, Cham and Japhet, the which deuided the worlde, in thre partes, in Europe, Astryke, and Asia, and of them came. ii. thousande. and. .iiii. C. persons, besides women and children. Also in the yere. ii. M. .iiii. hundredeth. lxxviii. was a middell coniunction betwixte Saturne and Jupiter, in a earthy triplicite, in the eyghtene degre

degre of Virgo, the whiche dyd sygnifye the  
tyme of Nemroth, the fyrst begynnyng of all  
couetousnes, with the byldynge of the towre  
of Babylon, where the deuylion of langua-  
ges was fyrst made. And afterwarde succe-  
ded the Idolatry of Belus, the whiche began  
the fyrst worshypinge of false ymages. Also  
in the.iii. thousande and two hundredeth yeres,  
was a coniunctyon called Maior, betwyrte  
Saturne, and Jupiter, at the entraunce into  
a ayry triplicite, in the sygne of Aquary, by  
the whiche was sygnifyed great and merue-  
lous sygnifications, as the byrth of Abraham  
and his generaciō, with the promesses of god  
made to Abraham. &c.

¶ Of the fourth great coniunction.

**T**he fourth greate coniunction was in  
the yere.iii. thousande foure hundredeth  
and cviii. the whiche dyd sygnifye the  
tyme of Sirapis or Apis, with the blynde y-  
dolaterye of the Gentyls, and many other al-  
teracions, as the storie telleth, also in the.iii.  
thousande and. vi. hundredeth yeres after, was  
a myddle coniunction in a watrye triplicite,  
that dyd sygnifie the byrthe of Moyses, with  
all his holynes and workes. &c.

¶ Of the. v. great coniunction.

The



**T**he fyfth coniunction was in the yere.  
iiii. thousande thre hundredeth. 78. the  
whiche dyd signifie the deuision of the  
kyngdome of the Hebrewes, and the captiuite  
of the Iues: and the alteracions of the kyng-  
dome of Rome. &c.

¶ Of the. vi. great coniunction.

**T**he. vi. coniunction was in the yere. v.  
thousand. iiii. hundredeth. cxxviii. and but  
v. yeres before the birth of Christ, at  
the whiche tyme was ryght great alteracyon,  
for al mankynde was redeemed fro the bonde  
of the deuyl, and made the chylidren of god. &c

¶ Of the. vii. great coniunction,  
for the whiche I haue specyally wyrtten this  
treatyle aforesayde, because it began. vi. C.  
yeres before our tyme, and cōtynueth nere-  
by. iiii. hundredeth yeres after, of the which  
iuii. hundredeth yeres. vii. of them shal  
be prognosticated accordynge to  
the coniunctions, Marti-  
ma, Maior, Media,  
and Minor.

**T**he. vii. coniunction, was in the yere.  
vi. M. ii. C. lxxxi. and in the yere of  
our Rede, nyne C. lv. and before this  
tyme about. iiii. C. yeres, at the ende of. x. re-  
uolutiōs of Saturne, was the tyme of Ma-  
chomet, whose meruelous secte is knowne  
well

well p[ro]uogde, and by other .x. reuolutions of  
Saturne, from the tyme of Bachomet vnto  
this our present tyme is also knowne, the dy-  
uerſitie & manyſolde alteracions of this ſecte  
as the heriſes of Arias Pagauns, and falſe  
chriſten men. Also about this aforeſaid grete  
coniunction began the ſciſmes & diſſencion  
amonges the Biſhops of Rome, & great bat-  
tel for ſetting vp of ymages with great peſti-  
lence & deth in the tyme of the Emperour Leo  
with other, much diſſecion bewirte the En-  
gliſhe men & the Danes in the tyme of kinge  
Edelſton, Edmonde, Eldred, and Edwyu.  
Also in the yere of our Lorde a. M. and. cccii  
was a middle coniunction in the ſigne of Our  
go: and was changed from a ſpyr triplicite in  
to an earthly triplicite, about the which tyme  
was Pope Sylueſter, and kynge knaght of  
Englande, with ſuch alteracions and warres  
as was about that tyme.

¶ Also after other .x. reuolucyons of Sa-  
turne in the yere of our Lorde a. M. a. L. and  
lvi. was an other coniunction in a earthly tri-  
plicite in the .27. degre of Capricorne, about  
the which tyme began the two orders of beg-  
ging freers, the one of S. Dominic, & the o-  
ther of S. Fraunces, & Adrian was Biſhop  
of Rome, and Richarde kyng of Englande,  
with many alteracions both by wars, famine  
and deth, that happened about that tyme.

Item

Also



¶ Also in the yere of our Lorde a. M. ii. C. and. xxv. was a coniunction betwixe Saturne and Jupiter, by the chaungynge of the triplicite into the. xx. degree of Aquary, as saith Henricus de Bachluma, the whiche was aboute kynge John's tyme of Englande, and ffredericke the seconde Emperoure.

¶ Also in the yere of our Lorde a. M. iii. C. and. xlv. the. xxiii. day of Marche about the xix. degree of Aquary, was a great coniunction on both of Saturne, Jupiter and Mars, and both before and after that coniunction was a minor coniunction of Saturne & Mars, the first was in the yere a. M. iii. C. lvi. the. ii. in the yere a. M. iii. C. xxvii. after the which coniunction dyd folowe meruelous alteracions, as grete drought, and lacke of water, with much penury & scarcenes, of sustenance both for man and beast, and also pestilence wth great death.

¶ Also in the yere a thousande four hundred and. iii. was a coniunction in a watrye triplicite in the. xx. degree of Pilces, about this tyme was the schisme and dyssencion betwixte the thre Byshoppes of Rome, Inuocencius, Gregorius, and Alexander, and the tyme of Henry Bolynbroke kynge of Englande, and shortly after that tyme, was a great frosse in Englande, that lasted fyftene weekes longe.

¶ Also in the yere a. M. iii. C. lxxix. the r. reuolucions of Saturne was fully ended, the

the whiche was about. xlviii. yeres sence, so  
that the sayd Saturne hath made but one re-  
uolucion and a halfe. vntill this present yere,  
in the whiche tyme hath ben no small altera-  
cion and chaungyng. ye yemarke it wel. Also  
in the yere a thousande. v. hundredeth and. xxx.  
Saturne beganne his reuolucion againe, de-  
partynge from the coniunction of Jupiter in  
Cancer, the whiche reuolucion shal contynue  
to the yere a. M. v. hundredeth and. lx. the whiche  
is about. xiii. yeres after this our present yere.  
Furthermore, ye shal knowe, that in the reuo-  
lucion fygure for the yere, in the begynnyng  
of Saturnes reuolucyon, Jupiter was set in  
a moueable fygne in the house of religion be-  
yng retrograde, the whiche both signifye vn-  
stedfastnes of lawes, faith, and customes, for  
the tyme of this Saturniens reuolucyon, by-  
cause that Jupiter is not strong in the fygure  
and also lodged in an vnstedfast place. Fur-  
thermore ye shall knowe, that in the tyme of  
this reuolucion, the weather shal stande chiefe-  
lye with moystnes, and by watry more then  
with drought, and the earth shal bringe forth  
all growyng thynges ryghte well, and many  
colde sykkenes of flume shal reygne, as drop-  
les, goutes, poxes, and suchelike. Also no  
great vniuersal warres are lyke to reygne in  
this reuolucion, but accordyng to the appli-  
cation of Mars to the other planetes, as  
chiefly

chepelye, when he is ioyned with Saturne,  
he causeth the people, and specially the Sa-  
tarniens, and those that be vnder Mars, to  
be of prynces and counsels in hye mat-  
ters of the faith, lawes, and religion, and also  
to moue warre and battell in luche causes.  
And thus consyder of all the other planettes  
as he ioyneth with them. Also yf ye matuell  
why in this reuolucion of Saturne, the tyme  
shall stande most with varyacion, alteracyon  
of faith, lawes, religion, and customes, know  
that in the fygures of the peare, at the begyn-  
nyng of Saturnes reuolucion, the lorde of  
that yere dyd commytte his power and dy-  
posycyon to Jupiter, the sygnifycatoure of  
faith, and lawes, and by his retrograda-  
cyon is sygnifyed the wekenesse and incon-  
stantnes of the aforesayde faith, and lawes,  
and bycause the Lorde Jupiter beyng in the  
house of religion, and in a moueable sygne,  
it is sygnifyed thereby, the mutacyon and  
great alteracyon thereof, and chepelye a-  
monges the religyon professours, and tea-  
chers of the same, so that the perfecte stabli-  
ment and seasyng of this varyacion, is not  
lyke to be fullye ended in all peoples hertes,  
vnto the ende and terme of this sayde reuo-  
lucyon of Saturne.

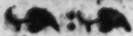
And thus synallye all these greate coniuncti-  
ons considered, and these . . . reuolucyons of

B.i.

Saturne

Saturne, with the figures and places of  
the planettes, at the begynnyng it may well  
be prognosticated of the dyspolycion al-  
teracyon, and chaungynge of the  
people, even from the Treas-  
cyon vntyll thir thousande  
yere be ended the whiche  
is the course of the ir-  
spere (if it please  
god to suffer the  
worlde so  
longe.)

To whom praye we daylye to sende his  
grace and good dyspolycion, that  
throughe his dome, we may  
rule with the Sterres as  
saythe Ptholome,  
the pynce of A-  
stronompes.



FINIS.

Thus endeth this lytel trea-  
tyse compyled by Anthony Askham  
In the yere of our Lorde,  
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